

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION Monthly Enforcement Report for actions during December 2016

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The following cases were resolved to: achieve compliance with the law; remediate environmental damage; restore natural resources to appropriate conditions; and impose penalties to deter similar actions in the future.

Consent Agreements Approved by the Commissioner and Office of the Attorney General (party followed by location):

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Irving Forest Products, Inc., Ashland, Maine. Irving Forest Products, Inc. ("Irving") is a Maine corporation duly organized and existing under Maine law. Irving operates a lumber mill with its principal location in Ashland, Maine. As a part of its operations, Irving was subject to an Air Emission License. On February 5, 2016 Department of Environmental Protection staff inspected the site in Ashland, Maine, and documented multiple violations of the Air Emissions License. During the inspection, staff observed that Irving, in violation of its Air Emission license: failed to perform the required energy assessments of two boilers; failed to log the operating hours of an emergency generator; failed to keep maintenance records on an emergency generator; failed to amend its Air Emissions License to document a replacement of an emergency generator; failed to maintain records of the amount of spilled distillate oil burned in a biomass boiler; used an emergency generator for non-emergency situations for more than the 50 hours allowed by the Air Emissions License. To resolve the violations, Irving agreed to: pay a civil monetary penalty to the Treasurer, State of Maine in the amount of \$1,200.00; partially fund a Supplemental Environmental Project in the amount of \$4,800.00. The Supplemental Environmental Project's purpose is to restore the Atlantic Salmon and Brook Trout habitat on Salmon Stream in Washburn, Maine.